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SUBJECT: ICCS FINANCIAL CRISIS

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REF A IS LATEST IN OUR MOST RECENT SERIES OF TELEGRAMS ALERTING DEPARTMENT TO IMMINENT SUSPENSION OF ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR ICCS AS RESULT OF FINANCIAL CRISIS. WE WISH TO DRAW PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO REF B REPEATING TO DEPARTMENT CAN THO TELEGRAM REPORTING INDICATIONS OF CHANGED POLISH ATTITUDE. SEPARATE CONVERSATIONS IN SAIGON WITH ICCS INDICATE WE MAY INDEED BE ON VERGE OF A BREAK-THROUGH TOWARDS A MORE CONSTRUCTIVE POSITION ON BOTH FULL DEPLOYMENT AND INVESTIGATIONS ON PART OF POLISH AND HUNGARIAN DELEGATIONS AS RESULT OF INTENSIVE NEGOTIATING BY IRANIANS, INDONESIANS, AND GVN. UNDER THESE PROPITIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES SOLVING PROBLEM OF FINDING ENOUGH FUNDS TO KEEP ICCS GOING AFTER NEXT BILLS PRESENTED IN MID-APRIL IS ALL THE MORE CRUCIAL. IT WOULD BE DISASTROUS AND PARTICULARLY HUMILIATING IF WE FIALED IN THIS EFFORT AT VERY TIME OUR FRIENDS HAD JUST ACHIEVED A DIPLOMATIC SUCCESS IN REVITALIZING ICCS FUNCTIONING.

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